

American Indian & Alaska Native Long Term Care Conference 2005 Honoring Our Elders: Best Practices in Long Term Care

November 16-17, 2005 • Sheraton Old Town, Albuquerque, NM

ATTENTION: Tribal Leaders
Elder Service and Healthcare Providers
Long Term Care Program Planners and Staff
Urban and Tribal Health Directors

Participate in the First Annual American Indian & Alaska Native Long Term Care Conference

When: November 16-17, 2005

Where: Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town (formerly Sheraton Old Town)
Albuquerque, NM

Website: www.aianlongtermcare.org

The conference will provide a forum in which tribes and AI/AN organizations engaged in the development of long term care services can:

- * Learn from each other about promising practices in sustainable long term care programs;
- * Learn about federal, state, and private resources available to help in the development of long term care services (e.g., CMS New Freedom Initiative, ANA SEDS grant program); and
- * Learn from experts in the field about specific technical issues (e.g., PACE model of care, elder day program development, personal care, and 1915c waiver programs).

Interested in attending?

Register today at www.aianlongtermcare.org.

For more information, contact Kauffman & Associates, Inc. (KAI) by email at lrc@kauffmaninc.com, or call (509) 747-4994.

Interested in reserving a room?

For reservations contact the hotel directly at 505-843-6300 or call the reservations department at 1-866-505-7829. Make a room reservation by October 25, 2005 and identify the reservation as "Long Term Care Conference 2005" to receive the special conference rate.

Interested in exhibiting?

Complete and submit the Exhibitor Form to KAI as directed on the conference website.

Participating Organizations & Agencies:

Indian Health Service, Administration for Native Americans, Administration on Aging, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, AARP, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, National Indian Council on Aging, National Indian Health Board, Navajo Nation

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Long Term Care Program Site Visit

Conference participants are invited to a site visit of the Laguna Rainbow Long Term Care Program. There will be site visit opportunities on Thursday, November 17, 2005 and Friday, November 18, 2005 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please join us for one of these tours; lunch is included in the tour.

Promising Practices Sessions

American Indian and Alaska Native Long Term Care programs across the country have been selected to present promising practices at four sessions during the conference. Examples of selected presentations will include the following:

- * Integrating Culture into a Tribally Run Nursing Home: Navajo Nation, Chinle Nursing Home
- * Creating a Comprehensive LTC Program for Elders: Blackfeet Tribe, Eagle Shield Senior Center
- * Area Agency on Aging support for Tribal Elders: Northwest Regional Council
- * Start to Finish, Developing a LTC Program: Pueblo of Isleta, Isleta Elderly Program
- * Coordinating Independent Living and Elder Services: San Juan Center for Independence
- * Tribal and State Partnerships to Improve Home and Community Based Services: White Earth Nation and the Minnesota Department of Human Services
- * The Greenhouse Model in Long Term Care: Dr. Bill Thomas
- * Urban Elder Day Health: Native American Community Health Center, Inc.
- * Program Responses to Elder Isolation in Rural Communities: Tanana Chiefs Conference

SUMMARY AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2005

Opening Session

Welcoming: Setting the Stage--
Liz Mueller, Conference Planning Committee
Chair, Vice Chair, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal
Council

General Session 1

Tribal Leadership in the development of LTC Services--
Governor Roland Johnson, Laguna Pueblo

Promising Practices Session 1

(see Promising Practices descriptions above)

Working Lunch

Working with States to Support Elders--
Michelle Grisham, New Mexico Secretary of Health

General Session 2

The Family at the Center of Long Term Care--
Panel Presentation

Promising Practices Session 2

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2005

General Session 3

Planning to Meet the LTC Need in Tribal Communities--
Kay Branch, Elder Health Services Planner, Alaska
Native Tribal Health Consortium

Site Visit Option A

Site Visit and Lunch at the Laguna Rainbow Center--
Kathy Correa, Administrator, Laguna Rainbow
Center

Promising Practices Session 3

Working Lunch

Networking with Long Term Care Programs--
Participants are invited to share best practices
and solutions to challenges in implementing LTC
services.

General Session 4

Resources for LTC Planning and Development--
Kathy Correa, Administrator, Laguna Rainbow
Center

Promising Practices Session 4

Closing Session (Sponsored by AARP)

Elder Centered Long Term Care--
Dr. Bill Thomas, physician and nationally
recognized innovator in long term care, creator of
the "Eden Alternative" concept

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2005

Site Visit Option B

Site Visit and Lunch at the Laguna Rainbow Center--
Kathy Correa, Administrator, Laguna Rainbow
Center